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LTG Brent Scowcroft  
Deputy Assistant to the President for  
National Security Affairs  
White House  
Washington, D. C. 20500

Dear Brent:

We are receiving an increasing number of requests from various congressional committees for Agency testimony on past activities which these committees feel are within their jurisdiction. I am enclosing a list of my appearances on the Hill and requests we have received, either formally or informally, to date. The listing does not include appearances before the Senate Select Committee, or *appearances to present current substantive intelligence.*

We have suggested that since the House and Senate have appointed select committees to inquire into questionable Agency activities, the other committees should not duplicate these inquiries and should defer to the select committees pending the conclusion of their investigations.

Our efforts in this regard are meeting with only limited success and I would urge that in his meetings with the House and Senate leadership, the President reinforce our position in this respect.

Sincerely,

*Bill*  
W. F. Colby  
Director

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Congressional Appearances by the Director of Central Intelligence  
on Allegations of Questionable Activities

15 January 1975 -- Intelligence Operations Subcommittee,  
Senate Appropriations Committee

16 January 1975 -- CIA Subcommittee, Senate Armed Services  
Committee

20 February 1975 -- Defense Subcommittee, House Appropriations  
Committee

5 March 1975 -- Subcommittee on Government Information  
and Individual Rights, House Government  
Operations Committee

Formal and Informal Requests for CIA  
Testimony or Reports

Subcommittee on Administrative Practice and Procedure,  
Senate Judiciary Committee (electronic surveillance)

Subcommittee on Constitutional Rights, Senate Judiciary  
Committee (electronic surveillance)

Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs

Subcommittee on Courts, Civil Liberties, and the Administration  
of Justice, House Judiciary Committee (electronic surveillance)

House Government Operations Committee

Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual Rights,  
House Government Operations Committee (privacy and computers)

Subcommittee on Government Information and Individual  
Rights, House Government Operations Committee  
(Rockefeller Commission Report)

Subcommittee on Postal Facilities, Mail and Labor  
Management, House Post Office and Civil Service  
Committee (mail survey program)

Subcommittee on Defense, House Appropriations Committee  
(Rockefeller Commission Report)